

first 50 days taking place on CNN right now over in the Cannon caucus room.

I thank my friend for yielding.

A REMAKE OF THE BODY SNATCHERS?

(Mr. DEFAZIO asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. DEFAZIO. Mr. Speaker, is this a replay of the first 100 days of FDR? That is what the Republican leadership would have the American people believe. Or is it more like a really bad remake of "Invasion of the Body Snatchers," some alien force has taken over the other side as they march lockstep and they will not consider any problems that they are creating with their contract. No matter how problematic, no matter how contradictory, no matter how poorly drafted their proposals, the contract must go forward, the alien force says.

Today \$3 billion more for a needy Pentagon. They cannot make ends meet on a \$271 billion budget. The American people know that. And next week we eliminate the School Lunch Program and the Program for Women, Infants, and Children because we cannot afford it.

Is there a little contradiction here? Is this 100 days to address the real needs of the American people akin to FDR, or is it a nightmarish remake of "Invasion of the Body Snatchers"?

Make up your own mind.

THIS IS WAR

(Ms. JACKSON-LEE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. JACKSON-LEE. Mr. Speaker, we are not dealing with the celebration of a contract. We are simply looking at a war where people are pitting one group of citizens against another. It is simple and clear to the children and women and those who are in need, working families, that we are in war with today.

I would like to celebrate what the 103d Democratic Congress did that really focused on working families: family leave, motor-voter law, reducing the deficit, responding to families and small businesses and, yes, providing opportunities for our youth to get educational loans.

What we are doing right now is fighting in a war that seems to be depend-

eat and, yes, we are going to continue to fight against gutting the crime bill, taking police off the streets. And we are finally going to stand against welfare punishment, because we believe in welfare reform.

Mr. Speaker, this is a war, and we are going to win this war for working Americans.

BALANCING THE BUDGET

(Mr. DOYLE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. DOYLE. Mr. Speaker, on November 8, the citizens of the 18th Congressional District in Pennsylvania sent me to Congress with a clear message. They wanted Government waste and inefficiency eliminated, they wanted the pork barrel, spendthrift ways of the past to change, they wanted our deficit brought down. I heard that message loud and clear, and I was proud to co-sponsor the Democratic balanced budget amendment with CHARLIE STENHOLM and work to have it passed in this House with the help of the Republican majority.

I stand here today to express my extreme disappointment, that the very first spending package produced by the Republican majority since the passage of that balanced budget amendment would increase the 1995 deficit by \$282 million and add \$645 million to the deficit over 5 years.

It is ironic that when Republicans want to spend billions to build star wars, there is no mention of balanced budgets, but if it is lunches for our school children, Republicans want to abolish it in the name of a balanced budget.

Watch the vote today on the defense supplemental bill and we will see who is really serious about balancing the budget.

ON THE FIRST 50 DAYS

(Ms. MCKINNEY asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. MCKINNEY. Mr. Speaker, today marks the first 50 days of the 104th Congress, and my Republican colleagues are boasting about how much they have accomplished. The fact of the matter is, they have produced a lot of icing, but there ain't no cake.

While the Contract With America does a great deal for you if you earn over \$200,000 a year, for the rest of us it

care, the minimum wage or job security.

Once again, this leads to the question, who really is controlling the contract? I think it is time for an outside counsel.

SETTING THE RECORD STRAIGHT

(Mr. LIVINGSTON asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. LIVINGSTON. Mr. Speaker, I am a little bit puzzled by the speaker that preceded the gentlewoman who was just at the podium. I do not know where the gentleman gets his numbers, but the fact is that the emergency supplemental that is intended to repay the Defense Department for the missions directed by President Clinton in Haiti and Iraq and Bosnia and all the others is a \$3.2 billion package, paid for by \$1.8 billion in defense rescissions or cuts and \$1.4 billion in nondefense rescissions or cuts, and it nets out to a savings of \$14 million.

In other words, we are cutting \$14 million more than we are spending.

The gentleman's figures are totally inaccurate. I hope this statement for the RECORD will reflect these corrected amounts accordingly.

MORE THOUGHTS ON THE CONTRACT'S PROGRESS

(Mr. TUCKER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. TUCKER. Mr. Speaker, my colleagues on the other side of the aisle are taking this moment to bask in the glory of what they call their first 50 days. And they are sticking their chest out, Mr. Speaker, and hoping that all of America will remember what they have done here.

Well, I hope all of America does remember what they have done here, Mr. Speaker. When they do things like slashing programs for children's lunches so that young people cannot go to school worrying about learning and eating at the same time, when they cut off student loan programs so as our young people matriculate they will not be able to go into modes of higher education, this is what I hope that the American people will remember about what they have done here on the floor of the House, because, Mr. Speaker, it is something certainly not worthy to be remembered for.